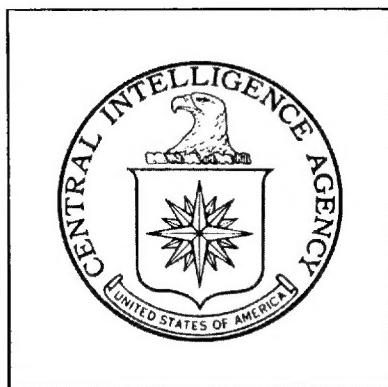


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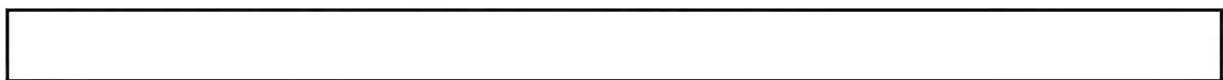


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SUMMARY

A new military facility has been identified at Sayn Shanda, Mongolia, approximately 250 nautical miles southeast of Ulaan Baatar along the Ulan Baatar/Pang-pei rail line. This facility, which resembles military installations constructed in Ulaan Baatar and Choybalsan, is the southernmost facility identified thus far in Mongolia.

Numerous engine blast marks and snow-cleared runways provide evidence of a high level of activity at Domna Airfield, USSR, 15 nm SW of Chita. At least 42 Beagle and 13 helicopters are observed.

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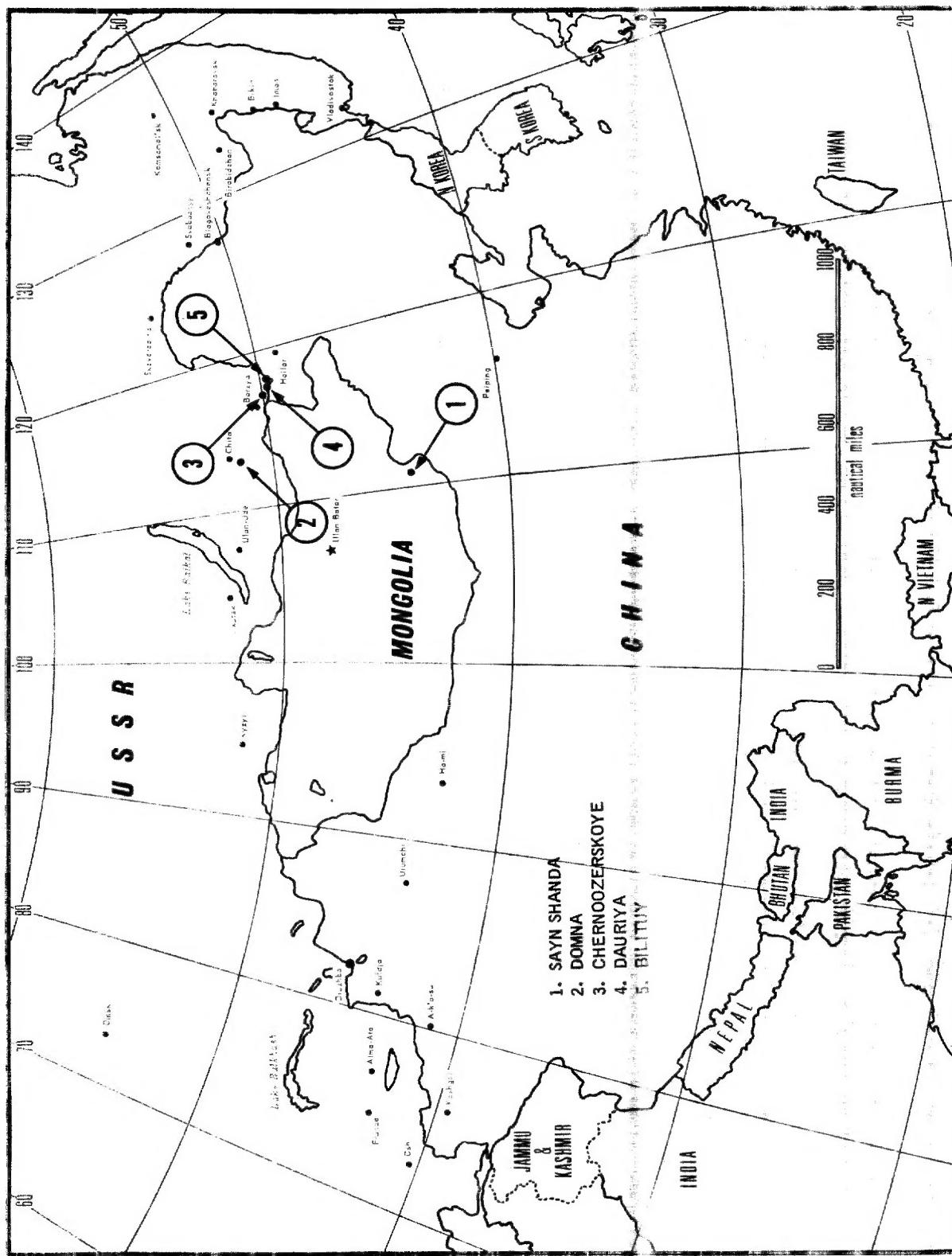
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## INTRODUCTION

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This report contains information obtained from an analytical search of all photography from [redacted] falling within 150 nautical miles (nm) of the Sino-Soviet/Sino-Mongolian Border (additional significant items within 300 nm may also be included).

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The information presented herein is primarily related to significant changes in the types and/or levels of military activity observed within the specified search area. Significant changes to non-military categories of activity are also included.

Figure 1 illustrates the geographical area of concern and locates the areas described in this report. The substantive information reported is arranged numerically by World Aeronautical Chart.

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Domna Airfield, USSR, [redacted] (51-55N 113-07E). A high level of activity is observed at this airfield located approximately 15 nm SW of Chita and immediately NW of Domna. Evidence of recent use is indicated by the numerous engine blast marks and the two snow-cleared parallel NW/SE sod runways (9450 by 250 feet and 8880 by 200 feet). Nineteen earthen aircraft revetments are observed. Aircraft identified are as follows: at least 42 Beagles, eight probable small helicopters, and five possible medium helicopters.

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Dauriya Army Barracks AL-1, USSR, [redacted] (49-55N 116-51E). No new construction is observed at this installation. All previously reported construction is completed with the exception of seven vehicle sheds which are in the final stages of construction.

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A moderate-to-high level of activity is observed at the driver-training facilities and the tank/assault-gun and APC ranges. Three tank firing lanes are now obvious at both tank/assault-gun ranges. A vehicle shed observed under construction in [redacted] at the northern tank/assault-gun range is now completed.

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Bilituy Military Complex, USSR (49-50N 117-06E). A medium-to-high level of activity is observed at the tracked-vehicle driver-training area and at the tank/assault-gun ranges.

There is no new construction noted within the installation; however, approximately 200 vehicles have been removed from a vehicle park located on

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the southern edge of the installation. These vehicles are now dispersed in rows near four probable vehicle sheds within the installation.

Chernoozerskoye Army Barracks, USSR (50-06N 116-40E). Extensive track-age at this installation reveals a moderate-to-high activity level. Seven vehicle sheds observed under construction in [redacted] are now completed. Three new probable barracks/support buildings have been added near the six previously observed (see Figure 2).

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The large vehicle park on the west edge of the installation is empty, indicating the recently completed vehicle sheds are now probably being utilized. The other vehicle park adjacent to the vehicle sheds contains approximately 100 dispersed vehicles.

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Sayn Shanda Military Facility, Mongolia (44-2N 110-08E). A new military facility near Sayn Shanda, Mongolia, is identified on this mission. The facility was not present in [redacted] and had only five buildings under construction when last observed in [redacted]

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The facility is partially secured and contains 14 probable barracks, three probable administration buildings, and approximately 20 support buildings. A new training area immediately west consists of three tank firing lanes, two probable APC firing loops, and tracked-vehicle driver-training area. Approximately 280 vehicles are observed throughout the facility (see Figure 3).

Two additional areas in the immediate vicinity resemble military installations; however, both of these were present in [redacted] and cannot be identified at this time as being military associated.

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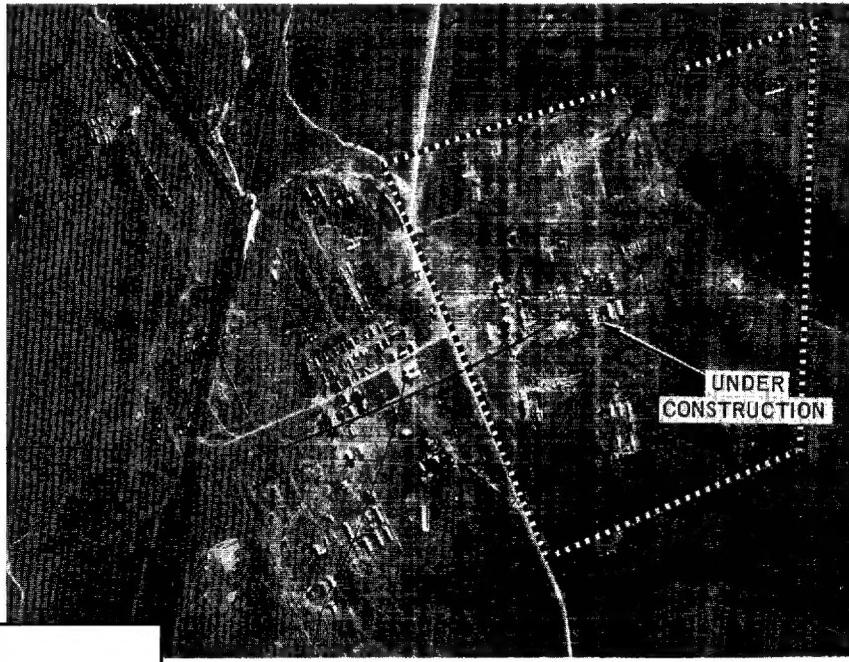
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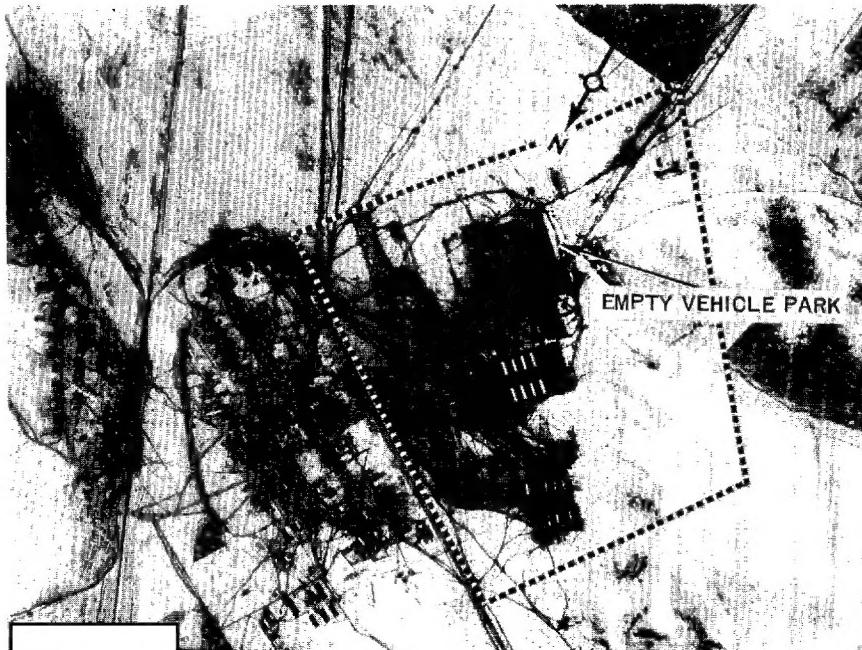
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FIGURE 2. CHERNOOZERSKOYE ARMY BARRACKS, USSR

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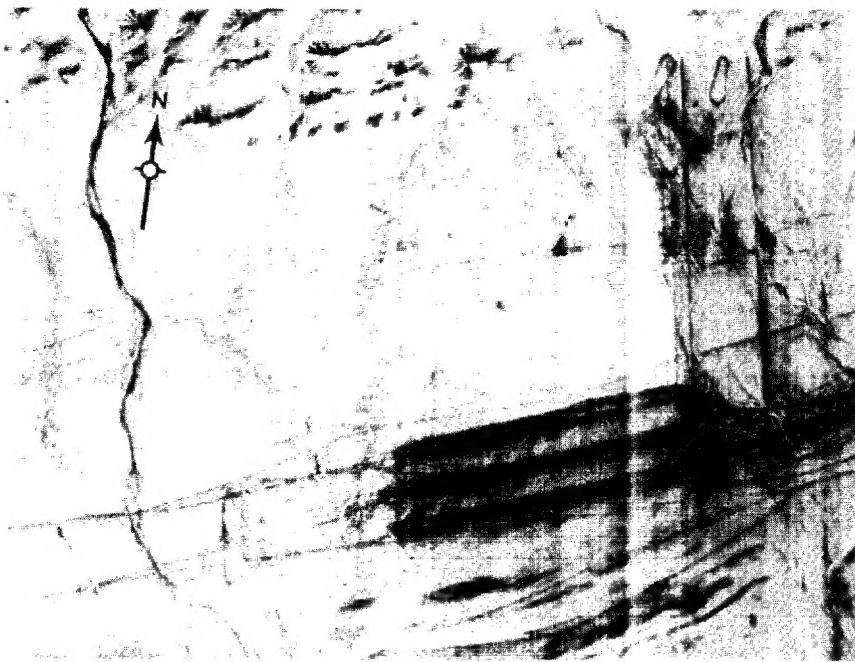
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SAYN SHANDA MILITARY FACILITY,

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TANK/ASSAULT-GUN AND APC FIRING RANGE LOCATED APPROXIMATELY  
1NM SSW OF MILITARY FACILITY.

FIGURE 3.

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